

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An alert method relating to a remaining fuel amount of a fuel cell system, ~~comprising the steps of~~ system comprising:

switching from an operation state of the fuel cell system to a stopped state of the fuel cell system;

detecting that the ~~state of the fuel cell system is switched over to a stopped side, such that the fuel cell system is in the stopped~~ to a stopped state; and

communicating information related to the remaining fuel amount to a user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed ~~in the stopped state~~ when the fuel cell system is switched over to the stopped side to the stopped state.

2. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 1, wherein ~~at least a step of generating an alert for the user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed and the remaining fuel amount falls to an alert generating level is included in the step of~~ communicating information related to the remaining fuel amount further comprises at least generating an alert for the user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed and the remaining fuel amount falls to an alert generating level.

3. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 2, wherein ~~the generation of~~ generating the alert for the user is implemented when fuel is consumed due to the fuel cell system performing a heat-retention operation.

4. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 2, wherein the alert is sent to an information terminal of the user using wireless communication.

5. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 2, wherein

~~the generation of~~ generating the alert for the user is implemented multiple times in response to the remaining fuel amount.

6. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 2, wherein the fuel cell system is mounted in a moving body, and the alert includes information related to at least one of a remaining fuel amount, a possible remaining heat-retention operation time of the fuel cell system, a possible remaining running mileage of the moving body, and a distance to the nearest fuel station.

7. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 6, wherein the alert generating level is set such that the possible remaining running mileage of the moving body includes a margin with respect to the distance to the nearest fuel station.

8. (Currently Amended) An alert method relating to a remaining fuel amount of a fuel cell system mounted in a moving body, ~~comprising the steps of~~ body comprising:

switching from an operation state of the moving body to a stopped state of the moving body;

detecting that an ignition switch of the moving body is switched ~~over to a stopped side, such that the moving body is in the~~ to the stopped state; and

communicating information related to the remaining fuel ~~amount,~~ amount to a user when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed ~~in the stopped state~~ when the ignition switch is switched ~~over to~~ to the stopped side, state to an information terminal of a user at a location away from the moving body using wireless communication.

9. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 8, wherein ~~the communication~~ communicating information to the user is conducted at every fixed time period.

10. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 8, wherein

~~the communication communicating information to the user~~ is conducted when the remaining fuel amount falls to an alert generating level.

11. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 8, wherein ~~the communication communicating information to the user~~ is conducted in response to a request from the user.

12. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 8, wherein the fuel cell system stops consumption of the fuel in response to a system stop command after receiving the system stop command from the user.

13. - 23. (Canceled)

24. (Currently Amended) The alert method ~~according to~~ of claim 1, wherein the remaining fuel amount ~~reduces~~ is reduced when fuel of the fuel cell system is consumed in the stopped state when the fuel cell system is switched ~~over to the stopped side~~ to the stopped state.